

Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Original) Oral composition comprising as a abrasive a mixture of a lanthanide metal oxide and a further abrasive, characterised in that the lanthanide metal oxide has a weight average particle size of from 0.5 to 50 μm .

Claim 2 (Original) Oral composition according to claim 1, wherein the further abrasive is selected from silica, calcium carbonate and mixtures thereof.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended) Oral composition according to ~~any preceding claim~~claim 1, wherein the lanthanide metal oxide is lanthanum oxide or cerium oxide.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended) Oral composition according to ~~any preceding claim~~claim 1, wherein the lanthanide metal oxide has a weight average particle size of from 0.6 to 10 μm .

Claim 5 (Currently Amended) Oral composition according to ~~any preceding claim~~claim 1, wherein the further abrasive is calcium carbonate and is present at from 10 to 60% by weight of the composition.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended) Oral composition according to ~~any of claims 1 to 4~~claim 1, wherein the further abrasive is silica and is present at from 3 to 15% by weight.

Claim 7 (Original) Use of from 0.01 to 5% by weight lanthanide metal oxide as an abrasive in an oral composition.